

MAIL.

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Auctions.

ON the 20th Instant, a First Class
HOTEL will be OPENED, under
the above title, in Spacious, Commodious,
and well-furnished Premises on the Praya
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Every attention will be paid to the com-
fort of Visitors.
Wines, Spirits and Eatables of the best
quality only supplied. Terms moderate.
J. P. DE CAMPOS,
Proprietor.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, January 2, 1877. ap2

Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-first Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the CITY HALL, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 25th January instant, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of the Accounts, and electing Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 2, 1877. ja25

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 25th instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 2, 1877. ja25

NOTICE.

ON and after the 15th of January, my Charge for Brokerage on all SHARES, will be HALF PER CENT on the Full Amount, to be Paid by the Seller only.

W. M. MORGAN,
Broker.
Hongkong, January 13, 1877. ja18

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship "GLENROY" will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 20th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 19, 1877. ja20

CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship "BRAMMAR CASTLE" will be despatched for the above Port at Daylight, TO-MORROW, the 20th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 19, 1877. ja20

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.
The Steamship "DOUGLAS" will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 24th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.,
Hongkong, January 19, 1877. ja24

FOR LONDON.

The Steamship "GLENROY" will be despatched as above on or about the 10th Proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 19, 1877.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "TANAI" will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.
Hongkong, January 19, 1877.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "AMAZON" will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.
Hongkong, January 19, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUER,
ISMAILA, PORT SAID, NAPLES,
AND MARSEILLES;

MAHE, BOMBAY, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.

ON THURSDAY, the 25th January, 1877, at Noon, the Company's S. S. MEIKONG, Commandant FOCHOW, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIES, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Species will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping orders will be granted till noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Species and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 24th January, 1877. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.
Hongkong, January 19, 1877. ja28

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The American Ship "SUMATRA" Captain CLOUGH, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, January 19, 1877. ja19

NOTICE.

MR. H. EBELL has this Day been admitted a PARTNER in my Firm at SWATOW and HOIHOW, which in future will be carried on under the Name or Style of "HERTON, EBELL & Co."

EDWARD HERTON.
Swatow-Hoihow, January 1, 1877. ja19

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Eighth Ordinary MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 39, Queen's Road, Victoria, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of FRIDAY, the 18th February next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the Year ending 31st December, 1876.

By Order,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 19, 1877. ja16

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from M. S. TONKOVICH, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 26th day of January, 1877, at 2 p.m., at his Residence, Brook Cottage, Caine Road,—

The whole of his English and Colonial made Household FURNITURE, comprising: Drawing, Dining and Bedroom Suites, Carved Book Case, Pier Glasses, Engravings, Marble-top Dressing Table and Washstand, Marble-top Teapoy, Plated-ware, Cutlery, Glass-ware, Dinner, Dessert and Breakfast Sets; A Collection of Books, Japanese and Chinese Porcelain and Lacquered-ware, Nippon Carvings, A Large Collection of Flowering and Other Plants.

An AVIARY and One Large TENT. Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Thursday, the 25th instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, January 19, 1877. ja26

PUBLIC AUCTION.

SUBSTANTIAL ENGLISH & CANTON-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

ENGRAVINGS, GLASS-WARE,

PLATED-WARE,

&c., &c., &c.

A PIANO,

And,

ONE BILLIARD TABLE, WITH

BALLS, QUERS, &c.,

COMPLETE.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs HEARD & Co., to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 30th day of January, 1877, at 2 p.m., at their Residence, Caine Road,—

The whole of their Substantial Household FURNITURE, &c., comprising: Drawing, Dining and Bed Room Suites, Marble-top Tables, Sofas, Easy Chairs, Chairs, Pier Glasses, Carpets, Hearth Rugs, Side Board, Whatnots, Marble-mounted Clocks, Davenport, Gasaliers and Gas Brackets, Iron Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Chest of Drawers, Marble-top Toilet Tables and Washstands, Glass-ware, Plated-ware, Crockery, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Monday, the 29th instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on the fall of the hammer in Mexican Dollars at 7.17. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk, on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Jan. 19, 1877. ja30

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

VERNA, German barque, Capt. H. Dirks. — Melchers & Co.

MADAME DEMOREST, British barque, Captain G. H. Bessit. — Gibb, Livingston & Co.

BEETHOVEN, German barque, Captain R. Haje. — Melchers & Co.

BRIDGETOWN, British barque, Captain E. W. Crisp. — Arnold, Karberg & Co.

FIXING ORION, British barque, Captain H. Williams. — Turner & Co.

IKENZ, German schooner, Captain G. Hansen. — Carlowitz & Co.

HANTS COURTY, British barque, Captain G. W. Cochran. — Meyer & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 19. Douglas, British steamer, 664, Barrie, Fochow Jan. 16. Amoy 17, and Swatow 18, General.—DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.

Jan. 19. Yang Woo, H.L.O.M. Training corvette, 1400, P. P. Luxmore, c.s.s.s., Singapore Dec. 28, and Manila Jan. 16.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 18. Peng-chau-hai, for a Cruise.
19. Leonor, for Swatow, &c.
19. August, Ger. brig, for Singapore.
19. Danube, for Bangkok.

CLEARED.

Dorothea, for Cebu.
Killarney, for Guam.
Madame Demorest, for New York.
Estepma, for Swatow.
Burra Noorfa, for Singora.
Bramar Castle, for Shanghai.
Fano, for Hamburg.
Augusta Reimers, for Takow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per Douglas, from Coast Ports, Messrs W. H. Taylor, Orntsch, and McIntosh, and 206 Chinese.

DEPARTED.
Per Danube, for Bangkok, 2 Europeans, and 154 Chinese.
To DEPART.
Per Burra Noorfa, for Singora, 16 Chinese.
Per Norden, for Saigon, 1 European and about 300 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Chinese corvette Yang Woo reports: From Singapore to Manila strong northerly winds. From Manila to port fine weather and light N.E. winds.
The British steamer Douglas reports: Experienced light variable winds and fine weather throughout. In Fochow—H.M. gunboat Hornet, and S. S. Chefoo. In Amoy—H.M. gunboat Grappler, S. S. Eagle, and Swatow. In Swatow—U. S. Kearny, S. S. Norma and Yeto left same day for Amoy. On the 19th Jan., at 9 a.m., passed S. S. Leonor.

CARGO.

Per Gelong, sailed 18th Jan., 1877.—For London from Canton, 85 bales Raw Silk, and 4 cases Silk Piece Goods; from Shanghai, 72 pica Tea, 957 bales Raw Silk, 33 bales Waste Silk, and 3 bales Pongees; from Yokohama, 99 bales Raw Silk. For Continent: from Shanghai, 6 bales Raw Silk; from Yokohama, 46 bales Raw Silk. For Boston: from Shanghai, 874 boxes and 274 half-chests Tea.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For SAIGON.—Per NORDEN, at 10.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 20th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For SHANGHAI.—Per GLENROY, at 8.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 20th inst.

Per CHINA, at 9.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 20th inst.

For HOIHOW.—Per OLYMPIA, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 20th inst.

For COOKTOWN.—Per THALES, at 1.30 p.m., on Monday, the 22nd inst. Mails will also be made up for E. Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand, 8 cent rates.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & LONDON.—Per ALTONA, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—The French Contract Packet MEIKONG, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 25th instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, and to Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suva, and Alexandria.

Letters may also be forwarded to INDIA by this Packet, but can be paid only as far as Ceylon. The postage to Ceylon must be prepaid. Such letters should be marked Paid to Galle only; they will go on from Galle as unpaid.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 24th inst.—5 p.m. Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 25th inst.—7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m. Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom, Saigon, or Singapore may be posted on payment of Late Fee of 15 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

Hongkong, January 11, 1877. ja28

THE S. S. GALLIC, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 1st February, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States and London, which will be closed as follows:—

2 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m. Post Office closes.

2.30 p.m. Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage until

2.50 p.m. when the Mail is finally closed.

Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

Letters, &c., can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below, if sufficient American Stamps are added to prepay them from San Francisco to destination. American General Post Office, Hongkong, January 16, 1877. ja1

General Memoranda.

MONDAY, January 22:—Noon.—Sale of Ground, Timber, &c., at Wanchai.

2 p.m.—Sale of Books and Spirits, at Mr J. M. Armstrong's Sale Room.

2 p.m.—Thales leaves for Cooktown.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Lodge.

TUESDAY, January 23:—Noon.—Altona leaves for London.

Goods per Bramar Castle undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Goods per Egeria undelivered after this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, January 24:—Daylight.—Douglas leaves for Swatow, Amoy and Fochow.

Goods per Cassandra undelivered after this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, January 25:—Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

2 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the H. O. & M. Steamboat Co., Limited, at City Hall.

Goods per Glenroy undelivered after this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, January 26:—Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

2 p.m.—Furniture Sale, at the residence of M. S. Tonkovich, Esq., Caine Road.

TUESDAY, January 30:—2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, at the residence of Messrs Heard & Co., Caine Road.

WEDNESDAY, January 31:—11 a.m.—Sale of Sundries at Govt. Store.

THURSDAY, February 1:—3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

SATURDAY, February 3:—Transfer Books of The China Fire Insurance Co., Limited, closed from this date to 16th February, inclusive.

SATURDAY, February 10:—Glenroy leaves for London on or about this date.

THURSDAY, February 15:—3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

FRIDAY, February 16:—2 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China Fire Insurance Co., Limited, at No. 39, Queen's Road.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—Bramar Castle leaves for Shanghai.

4 p.m.—China leaves for Shanghai.

4 p.m.—Olympia leaves for Hoihow.

4 p.m.—Glenroy leaves for Shanghai.

THE

HONGKONG DISPENSARY,

Established A.D. 1841.

香港大藥房

A. S. WATSON & CO.,

FAMILY & DISPENSING CHEMISTS,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,

IMPORTERS

OF

DRUGGISTS' Sundries, NURSERY REQUISITES, TOILET REQUISITES, ENGLISH, AMERICAN, AND FRENCH PATENT

MEDICINES.

MANUFACTURERS

OF

Soda Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water, Gingerale, Potass Water, Sarsaparilla Water, and other Aerated Waters.

The Manufactory is under direct and continuous European Supervision.

Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.30 a.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JAN. 19, 1877.

It seems to us that our correspondent "Common Sense," whose contribution we published last night, occupied a great deal of space in saying very little. The point for consideration was whether or not a subsidy should be paid by the United States Government to the Occidental and Oriental Steamship Company, but "Common Sense" appears to have taken some pains to say as little as possible upon that particular subject, while he favours us with a series of remarks on a variety of other topics, doubtless all more or less interesting. We have in the space of the column and a quarter monopolised by the letter a few hints, which we hope will one day prove of value, in regard to the policy of the old Whig or Conservative party in the States; some information as to the state of the American marine at the close of the Civil War, interlarded with a fling or two at the rebels, especially "the piratical cruisers smuggled out of friendly ports"; a thrilling sketch of the heroics and unparalleled feats, "licking all creation," of the American mail riders, "penetrating with his bag of half a dozen letters, along the frontiers, in the depths of the forests, and out upon the prairies, through perhaps hundreds of miles of wilderness; and lastly, but not least, we have a general onslaught upon the policy of the United States Government in regard to postal matters. All this we will admit is exceedingly interesting, but it is somewhat difficult to trace its bearing upon the question of whether or not the Occidental and Oriental Steamship Company should be subsidised.

"Common Sense" seems to be absolutely gleet over the fact, and to use it as a

support to his opposition to the proposal to subsidise the Occidental and Oriental Company, that the foreign carrying trade of America has been almost annihilated through the refusal of the Government to grant subsidies. "Rather," he says, "than compete with the opposite policy (of affording subsidies) of the British and other European Governments, they have allowed their flag to become almost extinct upon the Atlantic, and the enormous trade between Europe and the Western Hemisphere to pass into foreign hands. At this day when steamers of the largest class leave some American port nearly every hour for the Eastward, with a single exception not one can be found bearing the American flag." We should say all this indicates that the sooner the United States Government commence granting subsidies the better. Here we have it that their refusal to grant aid to steamship companies hitherto has ruined the carrying trade of the country—a trade which is the backbone of England's prosperity. Nor is the United States Government consistent in the matter, for "Common Sense" mentions one or two instances in which they do grant subsidies.

In terms that are forcible if not literally accurate our correspondent speaks of money, paid as subsidies, being "carted away, and spent in other countries." "Common Sense" seems to have forgotten that the Occidental and Oriental Company is an American Company, who have chartered English steamers simply because of their superior advantages of which the public will reap the benefit as well as themselves; that the establishment of the line fosters American trade and commerce, and that the Company intend building steamers themselves in due course after the model of those now chartered. Here we have an American Company asking the Government, under the circumstances we have just stated, to be remunerated on the same scale as another Company, for performing exactly similar services, perhaps in a more effective manner, and our correspondent thinks the request "so manifestly absurd that I wonder how even the shareholders of the Pacific Railroad, who have these steamers under charter, could keep their countenances while signing this memorial!" What virtuous indignation!

With due deference to "Common Sense," we must still submit that the subsidy paid by the Australian Colonies to an American mail line is an example to the United States Government in the matter. The Australian Government—a responsible Government of an important Colony—agrees to sink all national prejudices and to invite the steamship companies of every country to compete for the privilege of carrying its mails. "Common Sense" would have his Government refuse a subsidy to the Occidental and Oriental Company because the exigencies of their position necessitated their chartering a few English steamers, which they intend to replace with American ones as soon as possible. The Australian Government throws aside the consideration that the Colony is English, and, recognising the principle of international reciprocity and friendship, refuses to accord one iota more of favour to an English steamship company than to that of any other nation.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The S. S. Douglas brought down 14 horses and ponies.

The River steamer Ichang, having undergone a thorough overhauling, will resume running to Canton to-morrow morning.

By kind permission of Captain Colomb, R.N., and the Officers of H. M. ship Audacious, the Band will play on the Cricket Ground to-morrow, at 3 p.m.

A YACHT RACE for the "American Cup" will be sailed to-morrow over a harbour Course, starting from the Naval Coalbunds, Kowloon, at 9 o'clock. Four yachts are entered:—

Station 1, Wave.
2, Dido.
3, Nautilus.
4, Natch.

A CHECKER match was commenced to-day. Officers of Army and Navy v. Club, and will be resumed to-morrow at 11 o'clock, when the Band of H.M.S. Audacious will be in attendance, by kind permission of Captain Colomb. When the stumps were drawn at sunset the Club had scored 86, and the Army and Navy (with 6 wickets down) 45. The best scores were: Club, Mr R. Alford 86, and Mr J. H. Taylor 26; Army and Navy, Commander Ryder 24. We will give the scores to-morrow.

HONGKONG'S Weekly Shipping Report, Pagoda Anchorage, 18th January, 1877:—

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Insurances.

THE OHIO FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENTS at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Hongkong and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—Two Millions Sterling.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Oats in Malabar, on Goods on board Vessels and on Halls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Insurance will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNOLD, KARRER & Co.

Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELOERS & Co.,

Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World, in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of \$50,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

Incorporated by Royal Charter of His Majesty King George The First, A.D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding \$5,000 on reasonable terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1873.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned Agents are in receipt of Instructions from the Board of Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of £10,000 on any one first class risk, or to the extent of £15,000 on adjoining risks at current rates.

A Discount of 20% allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, January 8, 1876.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

Mails.

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL AND UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES

AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S.S. "GAELIC" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 1st February, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of 31st Instant. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent. on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight on Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 10, Praya Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, January 2, 1877. tel

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer CITY OF PEKING, will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 15th February, 1877, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Passengers Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, and to New York and Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer of the Mitsui Bishi S. S. Company will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England, France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. 14th Proximo. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 10, Praya Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, January 15, 1877. tel

For Sale.

NOW READY.

FENG-SHUI, or, THE FUNDAMENTALS OF NATURAL SCIENCE IN CHINA. By Dr. E. J. MITCHELL. One Volume. 8vo. Price, \$1.50.

BUDDHISM, ITS HISTORY, THEORY AND POPULAR RELIGION, in three Lectures. By Dr. E. J. MITCHELL. Second Edition. One Volume. 8vo. Price, \$1.50.

Orders will be received by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

Hongkong, July 31, 1873.

SAYLE & Co.

BEG to Solicit inspection of their WINTER STOCK.

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Hongkong, January, 1877. ja24

P. F. DA SILVA,

GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT,

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THE Circulation of THIS PAPER has been very much extended. The following are some of its Agents:—

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The above are some of the Agencies; others will be published, when they are arranged for. Regulations are in progress with the express carriers who carry the official dispatches and Fooking Gazette, to circulate the Chinese Mail in the interior of China.

Hongkong, March 10, 1874.

Intimations.

EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE DE 1878.

THE CONSUL for FRANCE has the honour to inform those Persons who wish to take part in the intended Exhibition, that they will find at the CONSULATE all information and Particulars they may require.

For the Consul,

G. BOULOUZE, Vice-Consul.

Hongkong, December 18, 1876.

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THE Municipal Commissioners of Penang are desirous of receiving DESIGNS for a TOWN-HALL. This Building is to be erected on the ground on the east side of the Esplanade situated between the latter and Duke Street, and its cost is not to exceed \$50,000.

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D. C. PRESGRAVE,

Municipal Secretary.

Penang, Municipal Office, The 21st September, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

FROM and after the Chinese New Year's day (February 17, 1874) the Chinese Mail will be issued DAILY instead of WEEKLY as heretofore. No change, however, will be made in the price of subscription, which will remain at \$4 per annum.

The charges for advertisements are now assimilated to those of the China Mail. The unusual success, which has attended the Chinese Mail makes it an admirable medium for advertisers.

The Conductors guarantee an eventual circulation of one thousand copies. It is already the most influential native journal published, and enjoys considerable prestige at the Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, San Francisco and Australia.

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Ms. OHUN AYIN,

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THE CHINESE MAIL.

TERMS OF ADVERTISING IN THE Chinese Mail.

TWO cents a character for the first 100 characters, and one cent a character beyond the first 100, for first insertion; and half price for repetitions during the first week. Subsequent weeks' insertions will be charged only one half the amount of the first week's charge. Advertisements for half a year and longer will be allowed a deduction of 25 per cent on the total amount, and contracts for more favourable terms can be made.

Efforts have been made to establish Agents for circulating the Chinese Mail in all the ports and in the interior of China, all the ports in Japan, in Saigon, Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, Batavia, Manila, the Philippines, Australia, San Francisco, Peru and other places, which Chinese frequent. When the list of Agencies is completed, it will be published. Agents have been already established in most of the above places, and in important ports more than one agent has been appointed at each.

OHUN AYIN,

Manager.

Hongkong, February 23, 1874.

HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, January 13, 1877.

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Highland Town.

Cash.

Butcher Meat.

Bacon, English, lb. 450 400

" Ana. Sugar cured, 300 250

" Foochow, 180 160

Beef, airloin and prime cut, cy. 160 160

Beef Corned, 150 140

" Roast, 150 140

" Soup, 90 80

" Steak, 150 140

Bullocks' Brains, per set 60 50

" Tongue, fresh, each 275 250

" " corned, 320 300

" Head, 600 500

" Heart, 150 140

" Feet, 50 40

" Kidneys, 60 50

" Tail, 100 90

" Liver, 80 60

" Tripe (undressed), catty 50 40

Calves' Head and Feet, set 600 400

Hams, American, lb. 350 —

" Chinese, 225 200

" English, 380 340

Mutton Chop, 160 140

" Leg, 160 140

" Shoulder, 180 110

" Liver, 120 110

Pigs' Chittlings, 60 50

" Feet, 100 80

" Fry, 110 100

" Head, 90 80

" Heart, 60 50

" Kidneys, 80 70

" Liver, 100 80

Pork, Chop, 180 140

" Corned, 130 120

" Leg, 160 150

" Fat or Lard, 110 100

Sheeps' Head and Feet, set 340 320

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